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SUBJ: VENEZUELAN ELECTIONS: FURTHER UNOFFICIAL RETURNS (REPORT NO. 2)

REF: CARACAS 10463

1. AS OF 9:30 A.M. DECEMBER 10 THE SUPREME ELECTORAL COUNCIL (CSE) STILL HAS NOT RELEASED ANY OFFICIAL ELECTION RETURNS. HOWEVER, AT 8:00 A.M. AD CLAIMED ITS UNOFFICIAL FIGURES SHOWED AD LEADING COPEI IN THE PRESIDENTIAL VOTING BY 1,268,202 VOTES TO 990,940, WHILE COPEI'S F\*GURES HA\* COPEI LEADING AD IN THE PRESIDENTIAL BALLOTING BY ABOUT 970,000 TO 929,000 VOTES. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE CSE WILL ISSUE RETURNS ONLY ON THE BASIS OF PHYSICAL POSSESSION OF THE TALLY SHEETS, WHEREAS THE POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE MEDIA CAL\*ULATE THEIR UNOFFICIAL RETURNS ON THE BASIS OF THE PHONED REPORTS FROM THE VOTING PLACES.

2. LEADING AD AND COPEI OFFICIALS (AD PRESIDEN\* GONZALO BARRIOS, COPEI ACTING PRESIDENT GODOFREDO GONZALEZ, AND COPEI LEADER LUIS HERRERA CAMPINS) HAVE AP\*EARED ON TE\*EVISION TO URGE THE \*EOPLE TO2AWAIT CALML\* THE OFF\*CIAL CSE RETU\*NS. THE\*LEADERS OF\*BOTH PARTIES HAVE PLEDGED TO RESPECT THE ELECTION RESULTS AS PROCLAIMED BY THE CSE. THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANT

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PUBLIC ORDER DISTURBANCES \*N CARACAS, MARACAIBO OR ELSEWHERE IN THE

COUNTRY, EXCEPT FOR THE DEMONSTRATION OUTSIDE CSE HEADQUARTERS THE  
EVENING OF DECEMBER 9 (REFTEL), IN WHICH 20 PERSONS WERE REPORTEDLY  
INJURED.  
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